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RESPONSE

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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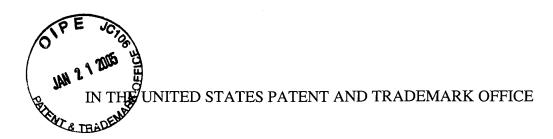
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In response to the Office Action dated 12/29/2004 finding that the applicant has claimed numerous patentably distinct species (no one of which is made "obvious" by any other or combination of other species under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects the patentably distinct species of Figures 10 and 11 onto which at least claims 1-5 and 14 are readable. It is believed that at least claims 1, 2 and 14 are also generic claims thus, if found allowable, entitling applicant to additional allowable claims in this present single application.

Respectfully submitted,

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